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**FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL BOARD COMMITTEE MEETING
Tuesday September 15, 2020
7:00 pm
Via Teleconference
Fairfield, CT 06824**

MINUTES-Approved at 10/20/20 meeting.

Attendees: B. Bunnell, Chair, D. Lamberty, Vice Chair, R. Dmochowski, Secretary, P. Landino, P. Wiswell.

B. Bunnell called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

ITEM 1 ON CALL: Approval of 8/18/20 DRAFT Minutes

R. Dmochowski noticed there was a correction needed in Item 6 of the minutes. The sentence states, "R. Dmochowski will ask the Conservation dept for minutes from meetings in the 1990's." It should read, "R. Dmochowski will ask the Town Clerk for minutes from meetings in the 1990's."

R. Dmochowski made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. D. Lamberty seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 2 ON CALL: Review of FECB master plan: five- year funding plan and updates on Master plan

B. Bunnell and R. Dmochowski met with Laura Pulie and Bill Hurley from Engineering regarding the FECB master plan Capital Budget with the objective to approve the plan from the FECB and present it to Brian Carey and the BOS. B. Bunnell had sent the list to the FECB in an email and it was reviewed line by line. This is a five year plan and B. Bunnell and R. Dmochowski have prioritized the list to spread it through the next five years of budgets with the request that the FECB will get its own line in the DPW operating budget. Bill Hurley has not been able to speak with Brian Carey about the list, but said October 1 is the capital planning with the Board of Finance. B. Bunnell wants to approve the list and present it as is. The estimated amount being requested for the next budget year (21-22) is \$4.6million. *R. Dmochowski made a motion to approve this list as FECB/DPW capital budget to*

present to Interim DPW Director, Brian Carey and then the BOF. D. Lamberty seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Rooster River study meeting presentation was the same as previous meeting. They want to get more public comment on it. There were some new renderings with retention berms and elevations. First Selectwoman Kupchick and Brian Carey had to leave to attend another meeting. There wasn't a lot of time to get them updated, but there will be another meeting in October.

ITEM 3 ON CALL: Discussion of POCD and FECB input

B. Bunnell sent out a presentation that Emmeline Harrigan, Assistant Planning Director sent to the Fairfield Beach Residents Association. It was her recap of the fall 2019 sessions and what people had said about sea level rise and what she wants to put in the plan of the Conservation and Development. A plan of Conservation and Development is done every 10 years and the town is in the process of doing one now. Anything the FECB wants to do has to be written as a Plan of Conservation and Development to receive funding. Things like Sunken Island or Penfield Reef, they'd need to be written into a plan. The presentation was reviewed by the FECB. B. Bunnell would like to create a formal document of specific items for POCD. R. Dmochowski suggested having it done at the October FECB meeting and vote on it. Once approved FECB will send the document to Jim Wendt, Emmeline Harrigan and the BOS.

ITEM 4 on CALL: Update on discussions for a Town resiliency fund

B. Bunnell is still writing it. She will email the document to the FECB for a formal vote in October. She would also like to send the approved document to Selectman Flynn for his suggestions.

ITEM 5 on CALL: Final review of proposed Charter Revision.

B. Bunnell took the document from August and changed the date. She wants to be sure P. Wiswell's comments were mentioned. He did approve of the comments and B. Bunnell thanked Dick for putting it together. P. Wiswell reached out to Town Attorney Jim Baldwin by phone, but has not spoken with him yet. P. Wiswell is concerned the FECB is taking on a lot by changing the charter. B. Bunnell said the changes do not mean the FECB will do all that is written, but if needed, it will be available to them. *R. Dmochowski made a motion to approve the proposed charter revision to send to the BOS. D. Lamberty seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

ITEM 6 ON CALL: Additional old or new Business as may come before the Board

R. Dmochowski said Mr. Rick Grauer sent an email to the residents of FBR to propose to dredge Pine Creek. The meeting is at the turnaround at the end of FBR. R. Dmochowski will attend the meeting and let the FECB know what was discussed. Anthony P. Guillaro is a developer who has built houses at the end of FBR. He wants to dredge the creek so he can take his boat out, but it won't help just by dredging because the sand will eventually go back. There needs to be sand migration mitigation. The builder will pay for the consultant to look into dredging. B. Bunnell will suggest building up Sunken Island to create a wall from the sand going back to the creek.

ITEM 7 ON CALL: ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pru O'Brien
Recording Secretary